February 17, 2009

Mr. Daniel C. Smith Associate Administrator for Enforcement National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Recall Management Division (NVS-215) 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE - Room W45-306 Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Mr. Smith:

The following information is submitted pursuant to the requirements of 49 CFR Part 579.11. General Motors has decided to conduct a Noncompliance Recall involving certain 2009 Cadillac Platinum Escalade model vehicles built for export markets.

This Noncompliance Recall involves vehicles that were sold outside of the United States. General Motors Corporation sold substantially similar vehicles in the United States. Please contact me if you have any further questions concerning this report.

Vehicles identified in this letter as "substantially similar" under the broad definition specified in 49 CFR Part 579, can have significant differences in design, performance, durability, etc. These vehicles may not be "substantially similar" except for purposes of reporting under 49 CFR Part 579.

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## **GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION**

## **579.11 REPORT**

MANUFACTURER:	
WAITOFACTORER.	General Motors Corporation
MAKE:	Cadillac
MODEL & YEAR:	Certain 2009 Cadillac Platinum Escalade model vehicles (Export Only).
NUMBER OF VEHICLES:	191 Vehicles (Produced from October 6, 2008 through January 28, 2009).
ACTION TYPE DETERMINATION:	Noncompliance Recall.
CONDITION:	Certain 2009 Cadillac Platinum Escalade model vehicles produced for export were equipped with instrument clusters released for the U.S. indicating a maximum top speed of 160 kilometers per hour (kph) (~100 mph). These vehicles should have been equipped with an export instrument cluster indicating a maximum top speed of 220 kph (~137mph).
	There is no indication of the correct vehicle speed displayed to the driver once the vehicle speed exceeds 160 kph. When the vehicle speed reaches 120 kph (~75 mph), the vehicle over-speed message is displayed in the digital information center (DIC) and no other information, including the vehicle speed, is displayed in the digital readout.
CORRECTION:	To bring the involved vehicles into Compliance in these countries, General Motors will conduct a Noncompliance Recall to replace the 160kph instrument cluster, with a 220kph cluster.
DATE OF DETERMINATION:	February 16, 2009.
ACTION COMMENCED:	Scheduled March, 2009.
COUNTRIES INVOLVED:	Jordan, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, and Russia.
SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR U.S. VEHICLE:	2009 Cadillac Escalade, Chevrolet Avalanche, Silverado, Suburban, Tahoe; GMC Yukon; Hummer H2 models.
COMMENT:	All 2009 Cadillac Platinum Escalade vehicles intended for sale in the United States, were assembled with the correct domestic instrument clusters and meet all FMVSS requirements. Therefore, there are no involved vehicles in the United States.

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